

Understanding how political, religious, & social institutions emerged in the English colonies.

Analyze the factors behind Bacon's Rebellion to illustrate the conflicts between the underrepresented backwoodsmen and the privileged tidewater planters. Compare with the ethnic & class tensions behind Leisler's Rebellion in colonial New York & with later conflicts of the Carolina Regulators & Pennsylvania Paxton Boys, involving similar grievances & tensions. To what extent are the causes of Bacon's Rebellion, & the revolts of the Carolina regulators & Pennsylvania Paxton Boys similar? How are they different? Did Bacon's Rebellion lead to greater or less democracy in Virginia?